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ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Note by the Secretariat

Revised Schedule of Work - First Session of the Conference of the Parties

Monday 29 September 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
PLENARY	Informal Consultations Registration	Informal Consultations Registration

Tuesday 30 September 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
PLENARY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Opening of Conference by Executive Secretary of CCD</li> <li>2. Election of President of COP</li> <li>3. Statement by President</li> <li>4. Statement by Under-Secretary-General Nitin Desai on behalf of the Secretary-General of the United Nations</li> <li>5. Report by Chairman of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee</li> <li>6. Statement by Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization</li> <li>7. Statement by Secretary-General of the World Meteorological Organization</li> <li>8. Statement by President of International Fund for Agricultural Development</li> <li>9. Statement on behalf of Executive Director of United Nations Environment Programme</li> <li>10. Statement on behalf of Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme</li> <li>11. Statement by Executive Secretary of CCD</li> <li>12. Adoption of the agenda (ICCD/COP(1)/1, Corr.1)</li> <li>13. Adoption of Rules of Procedure and Terms of Reference of Committee on Science and Technology (ICCD/COP(1)/2)</li> <li>14. Adoption of Organization of Work (ICCD/COP(1)/1, Corr.1) and establishment of Committee of the Whole</li> <li>15. Admission of observers and accreditation of non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations (ICCD/COP(1)/2, Add.1; ICCD/COP(1)/8)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Statement by H.E. the Vice-President of Colombia on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement</li> <li>2. Statement by Executive Secretary of Convention on Biological Diversity</li> <li>3. Presentations by candidates to host Secretariat:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Canada</li> <li>- Spain</li> <li>- Germany</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Other statements by Parties and Observers</li> </ol>

Wednesday 1 October 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
PLENARY	--	--
COW	<p>Organization of work, including review of outstanding issues and establishment as necessary of informal groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adoption of recommendations of INCD (ICCD/COP(1)/2, Add.1)</li> <li>- Designation of Permanent Secretariat: location of the Permanent Secretariat</li> <li>- Rules of Procedure (ICCD/COP(1)/2)</li> </ul>	<p>Organization of work, including review of outstanding issues and establishment as necessary of informal groups</p>

Thursday 2 October 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
PLENARY	Election of other officers including chairperson of the Committee on Science and Technology	--
COW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Global mechanism (ICCD/COP(1)/5, Add.1 and Add.2/Rev.1)</li> <li>- Programme and Budget (ICCD/COP(1)/3, Add.1)</li> <li>- Extrabudgetary Funds (ICCD/COP(1)/4, Add.1)</li> </ul>	--
CST	<p>Organization of work (ICCD/COP(1)/CST/1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of outstanding items</li> <li>- Establishment of roster of experts (ICCD/COP(1)/6)</li> <li>- Benchmarks and indicators (ICCD/COP(1)/CST/3, Add.1)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Survey and evaluation of existing networks (ICCD/COP(1)/CST/2, Add.1)</li> <li>- Bodies doing work of relevance to CST (ICCD/COP(1)/CST/4)</li> </ul>

Friday 3 October 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
PLENARY	- Designation of a Permanent Secretariat: decision on the location of the Permanent Secretariat	- Statement by Executive Secretary of Framework Convention on Climate Change
CST	- Inventories of research, traditional knowledge (ICCD/COP(1)/CST/5) - Research priorities (ICCD/COP(1)/CST/5) - CST work programme	Preparation of report of CST
Parallel event		Mayors' Forum at Rome City Hall beginning at 15.00, continuing on Saturday 4 October

Monday 6 October 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
Parallel event in Plenary Hall	NGO Forum	NGO Forum
COW	--	Formal meeting followed by informal consultations
Parallel event in Iran Room	Media Outreach Workshop	Media Seminar

Tuesday 7 October 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
PLENARY	High-level segment	High-level segment
COW	To be determined	To be determined

Wednesday 8 October 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
PLENARY	High-level segment	High-level segment
COW	To be determined	To be determined

Thursday 9 October 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
PLENARY	High-level segment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Statement by Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme</li> <li>2. Other statements by Parties and Observers</li> <li>3. Dialogue on Building Partnerships for CCD</li> <li>4. Report on conclusions and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole</li> </ol>
COW	To be determined	To be determined

Friday 10 October 1997		
	09.00 - 12.00	14.00 - 17.00
PLENARY	- Statement by Mayor of Rome on results of Mayors' Forum	Adoption of report of COP
COW	To be determined	--

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